

Sri VEERENDRA PATIL.—Gulbarga District is fed normally from Munirabad Generating Station. It is true that there have been interruptions of power in this area. Some of the interruptions are due to long length of transmission lines involved as generation had to be stepped at Munirabad and power drawn from Sharavathi. Further, a number of interruptions have also occurred on the feeders emanating from Gulbarga Sub-Station. These are partly due to rain and stormy conditions and partly due to mischief by mischievous elements by breaking insulators on the lines and throwing creepers etc., on the lines. Also some of these feeders designed for 33 KV transmission have been charged at present at 11 KV and tapped off at a number of points for arranging power supply to I.P. sets and electrifying villages in order to extend electricity to those areas much earlier than scheduled. This has also caused some of the interruptions. However, separate 11 KV lines are now under construction and it is expected that these will be completed in about six months when all the tappings will be removed from the main 33 KV line which will reduce the interruption.

Regular attention is paid to the complaints and additional men have been posted by the Mysore State Electricity Board to attend to the break-down during the stormy season.

(3) *Re*: CHOLERA ATTACKS AND DEATHS IN HUBLI-DHARWAR CITY.

Mr. SPEAKER.—The other Calling Attention Notice by Sri Siddaiah Kashimath will be taken up now.

Sri SIDDIAH KASHIMATH (Shirahatti).—I want to draw the attention of the hon. Minister for Health and Housing to the cholera attacks and deaths in Hubli-Dharwar City.

†Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—Sir, cases of severe gastro-enteritis and cholera have been reported from Hubli-Dharwar Municipal Corporation Area during June and July 1967. The first case occurred on 29th June 1967 and the last case on 24th July 1967. In this period there were 64 cholera cases of which four had proved fatal and 142 gastro-enteritis cases that occurred during this period, of which 3 proved fatal.

Isolation and treatment of all cases was undertaken. They were accommodated in K.M.C. Hospital, Hubli. and in the Civil Hospital, Dharwar. Cases were admitted to infectious diseases hospital also. In all 206 patients were admitted and treated, of which 199 were cured and discharged.

Anti-cholera inoculation work has been undertaken. Eleven inoculation centres in the City areas have been opened to work from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. daily. The Medical practitioners in the City areas are also performing Anti-Cholera inoculations free of charge.

Special staff for inoculation has been drafted. 87,692 Anti Cholera inoculations have been done in the infected areas. The population of Hubli City is 1,77,000 while that of Dharwar is 83,000. The infection is localised to Hubli City.

Chlorination of all drinking water sources is being done. 28 wells in these areas are being chlorinated daily. Water with an additional dosage of chlorine added to it is now supplied to Hubli Dharwar Cities.

Disinfection of houses and infected material has been done. In all 2,897 houses have been disinfected.

The Public of Hubli and Dharwar Cities have been alerted to the incidence and requested to take Anti-Cholera inoculations. Simple Health measures for adoption has been given i.e., to avoid stale food, cut or over ripe fruits; use boiled and cooled water etc.

Drugs for treatment of cases, bleaching powder for chlorination and disinfectants are in sufficient stock and issued for use by the Corporation authorities.

The Additional District Magistrate, Dharwar has declared the taluks and Cities of Hubli and Dharwar as threatened with Cholera under notification No. Pol (M) SR 626 dated 15th July 1967 and has appointed the Deputy Municipal Commissioner of the Corporation and the Tahsildars of Hubli-Dharwar taluks as Cholera Controlling Officers.

All necessary preventive and control measures have been undertaken in the Hubli-Dharwar Municipal Corporation area. The infection is under control.

PRIVILEGE QUESTION *Re*: SERVING OF SUMMONS TO A MEMBER RELATING TO A CRIMINAL CASE WITHOUT PERMISSION OF THE SPEAKER DURING THE SESSION PERIOD AND THE SPEAKER'S RULING THEREON.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Hon'ble member Sri Azeez Sait wanted to say something.

† Sri AZEEZ SAIT (Narasimharaja).—Sir, I wanted to bring to your kind notice an important matter of privilege. I would draw your kind attention to the Constitution of India, page 97, article 194 (3).

“In other respects, the powers, privileges and immunities of a house of the Legislature of a State, and of the members and the committees of a House of such Legislature, shall be such as may from time to time be defined by the Legislature by law, and, until so defined, shall be those of the House of Commons of the Parliament of the United Kingdom, and of its members and committees, at the commencement of this Constitution”.